

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Heiko Urtel et al.

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For: HYDROGENATION METHOD FOR
PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE
ALCOHOLS OR CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

Examiner: C. B. Nguyen

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

MS Appeal
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Communication dated January 8, 2010, Paper 20100104,
Applicants submit a revised Terminal Disclaimer.

The Official Communication states that the assignee has not established its ownership interest in this application. The Offices attention is respectfully directed to the assignment recorded at Reel 018284/ Frame 0008, which evidences that BASF Aktiengesellschaft (now BASF SE) has a 100% ownership interest in this application. A copy of the assignment recordation is attached hereto. Further, the assignment recordation names Burton A. Amernick as correspondent.

The Office Communication further states that “the person who signed the Terminal Disclaimer does not have POA, 3.73(b) statement and thus not attorney of record.” Applicants

herewith submit a Terminal Disclaimer signed by Burton A. Amernick. Applicants respectfully submit that the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer complies with formal requirements.

Applicants herewith submit a believe no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 12810-00340-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: January 15, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

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